

Prepare a Pet Emergency Kit

Pack a to-go emergency kit in a waterproof container. Let all members of your family know where your kit is stored and evaluate it every year to replace expired items.

At the very least, your kit should contain a supply of pet food, a pet safety harness, bottled water, medications, first-aid supplies, proof of ownership and recent medical records. The ASPCA also recommends including the following items:³

Pet first-aid kit	Three to seven days' worth of canned (pop-top) or dry food (be sure to rotate every two months)	Disposable litter trays (aluminum roasting pans are perfect)	Litter or paper toweling
Liquid dish soap and disinfectant	Disposable garbage bags for clean-up	Pet feeding dishes	Extra collar or harness as well as an extra leash
Photocopies (or a thumb drive) of medical records and a waterproof container with a two-week supply of any medicine your pet requires	Bottled water, at least seven days' worth for each person and pet	A traveling bag, crate or sturdy carrier, ideally one for each pet	Flashlight
Blanket (for scooping up a fearful pet)	Recent photos of your pets (in case you are separated and need to make "Lost" posters)	Especially for cats: Pillowcase or EvackSack, toys, scoopable litter	Especially for dogs: Extra leash, toys and chew toys, a week's worth of cage liner